

**State of Vermont  
Executive Department  
A Proclamation**

**WHEREAS,** 1,618 Americans are still missing from the Vietnam War, as well as 7,807 unaccounted for from the Korean War, 126 from the Cold War and over 73,000 from WWII – though thousands are unrecoverable deep-sea losses; and

**WHEREAS,** their families, friends, and other countless Americans still deal with uncertainty concerning their fates; and

**WHEREAS,** the Obama Administration has recently reinforced its commitment to maintaining POW/MIA accounting as a priority of the United States; and

**WHEREAS,** U.S. service members continue to serve at significant personal risk, and we have profound gratitude for the courage, determination, and resolve of POWs and MIAs, and remain mindful of their families, friends, and fellow veterans who continue to wait for a resolution;

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Peter Shumlin, Governor, do hereby proclaim September 16, 2016 as

**POW/MIA RECOGNITION DAY**

in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of  
Vermont on this 4th day of August, A.D. 2016



A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a stylized 'P' followed by a long horizontal line.

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Peter Shumlin  
Governor